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The County of Fresno Hosts the First Redistricting Public Workshop and the Advisory Redistricting Commission Announces New Leadership

The County of Fresno is hosting its first Redistricting Public Workshop at 6pm on Wednesday, July 14, at Riverdale Joint Unified School District Community Education Center (3160 W. Mount Whitney Boulevard, Riverdale, CA 93656). At this workshop, the County will seek to educate the community about the redistricting process as well as listen to residents on what geography constitutes their neighborhoods and who their communities of interest are. Identifying these areas will inform the County's Advisory Redistricting Commission on how to preserve the County's unique and diverse communities when it recommends new supervisorial districts to the Board of Supervisors for adoption.

At its previous hearing on Wednesday, July 7, the County's Advisory Redistricting Commission appointed a Chair and Vice-Chair to lead the Commission through this decennial process. Ken Abrahamian, Commissioner from the County's First District, was appointed as the Commission's Chair and Hugo Morales, Commissioner from the County's Third District, was appointed as the Commission's Vice-Chair.

Every ten years, local governments use new data from the Census to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed. The Commission invites members of the Fresno County community to participate in the redistricting process to ensure district lines respect neighborhoods, history, and geographical elements. During the workshop, residents will learn how to define communities of interest, neighborhoods, and how to draw maps of the districts using the online and paper mapping tools.

The public's identification of communities of interest enables the Commission to better evaluate the County's Board of Supervisors district boundaries--the input from these communities of interest will help shape these supervisorial districts as well as in the elections for the next ten years.

If residents are unable to attend the County's upcoming workshop in-person, there is a Zoom option in Spanish and English. There will also be four additional hearings and workshops throughout the coming summer and fall during which residents can submit feedback on local communities and maps.

July 14, 2021 - Public Engagement Workshop

- Location: Riverdale High School 3160 W Mt Whitney Ave, Riverdale, CA 93656
- Time: 6:00 pm
- To view the Live Stream meeting on Zoom webinar: https://zoom.us/ij/91508233781

To listen by telephone dial:

US: +1 669 900 6833 or +1 408 638 0968

For English enter Webinar ID: 915 0823 3781; For Spanish enter Webinar ID: 972 9616 6702

August 3, 2021 - Public Engagement Workshop, District 1

- Location: Gaston Middle School 1100 E. Church Ave., Fresno, CA 93706
- Time: 6:00 pm

August 4, 2021 - Public Engagement Workshop, District 3

- Location: Fresno High School 1839 N. Echo Avenue, Fresno, CA 93704
- Time: 6:00 pm

August 12, 2021 – Commission Hearing

- Location: Fresno County Health and Wellness Center 1925 E. Dakota Ave. Fresno CA 93726
- Time: 6:00 pm

August 21, 2021 - Public Engagement Workshop, District 2

- Location: Bullard High School 5445 N. Palm Ave., Fresno, CA 93704
- Time: 9:00 am

August 21, 2021 - Public Engagement Workshop, District 5

- Location: Veterans Memorial Center 808 4th Street, Clovis, CA 93612
- Time: 2:00 pm

October 21, 2021 - Commission Hearing

- Location: Fresno County Health and Wellness Center 1925 E. Dakota Ave. Fresno, CA 93726
- Time: 6:00 pm

November 2, 2021- Board of Supervisors Hearing

• Location: Fresno County Hall of Records – 2281 Tulare Street, Room 301, Fresno, CA 93721

• Time: 1:00 pm

November 16, 2021 - Board of Supervisors Hearing

Location: Fresno County Hall of Records – 2281 Tulare Street, Room 301, Fresno, CA 93721

• Time: 1:00 pm

For updates and information about the redistricting process and future public meetings, please visit the County's redistricting website: www.co.fresno.ca.us/resources/redistricting or email FresnoCounty2021Redistricting@fresnocountyca.gov.

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